THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA) : (a) and (b) A Special Recruitment Drive has been undertaken to fill up the backlog of reservations for SC/ST in Ministries/ Departments of the Central Government as on 31-3-91. The target date for completion of the Drive is 31-3-92. According to reports so far, a backlog of 16362 reservations for SC/ST has been identified. As against this, appointment officers have been issued in respect of 4512 vacancies.

विभिन्न क्षेत्रों का निजीकरण

4006. **मौलाना अबैदुल्ला खान आजमी** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में निजीकरण करने की कोई योजना कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय के पास विचाराधीन है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत और पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मारग्रेट अल्वा) : (क) जी, नहीं [।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Acquisition of Land by States

%4007. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether States are forced to acquire vast areas of land for irrigation projects and other public works spending huge amount towards compensation of land;

(b) if so, State-wise details thereof ;

(c) whether Government propose to fix the ceiling on the rates of compensation by suitably amending the Land Acquisition Act, 1984; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) and b) Irrigation projects and other public works are generally planned, investigated, formulated and executed by the States themselves as per *inter-se* priorities. The State Governments acquire minimum land for implementation of such projects and pay compensation for the acquired land as per provisions of the land Acquisition Act, 1894.

(c) and (d) There is at present no proposal to fix a ceiling on the rates of compensation by amending the land Acquisition Act, 1894 since the Act was comprehensively amended only recently in 1984 *inter alia* with a view to serve the interests of the community in harmony with the rights of the individuals. The provisions of the amended Act provide for payment of compensation on a more realistic and just basis to the land owners whose lands are ac

Functioning of Monitoring Cell

%%4008. DR. SANJAYA SINH : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Monitoring Cell in his Ministry monitors the programmes (i) Provision of House-sites to Rural-Landless Workers, (ii) Indira Awas Yojana, (iii) EWS Housing and (iv) LIG Housing ; and

(b) if so, what is the latest position regarding the physical performance of the above-mentioned programmes, with State/Union Territorywise details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) Monitoring Cell in the Ministry of Rural Development monitors the programmes (i) Provision of House sites to Rural Landless Workers; and (ii) Indira Awas Yojana. However, the programmes of EWS Housing and LIG Housing are monitored by the Ministry of Urban Development.

(b) Physical performance State/UT-wise of the above menioned programmes during 1991-92 as per the reports received so far is given in the Annexures. (*See* Appendix CLXII, Annexure No. 79 and 80).

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